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1. [] - LLM) Dorothy Fosdick, Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations staff, called to find out the status of the briefing on Soviet strategic force. I told her I knew [] had her request in mind and would be getting in touch with her shortly.

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2. [] - LLM) Met with Kathy Nelson, in the office of Senator Stuart Symington (D., Mo.), for a final review of the sanitization of the transcript covering Mr. Colby's testimony on 27 June in connection with S. 1263, military appropriations bill.

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After consultation with [] it was agreed to release the following information:

- a. FY 73 expenditure figure in Laos of \$4 million;
- b. The SGU battalion strength of 27;
- c. the \$168 million FY 74 program budget for Laos with the understanding there would be no breakout of figures.

In response to my question Nelson said that Symington had cleaned up the language he used to characterize Lon Nol and she promised to raise with Symington the deletion of Mr. Colby's estimate of the political situation in Cambodia. Although Nelson was pushing for greater revelations of CIA program and expenditure figures, the above served as an acceptable compromise.

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3. [] - LLM) Received from Jack Ticer, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, half-galleys on Mr. Colby's confirmation hearings covering the appearances on 2 and 20 July. Galleys on the remainder of the hearings may be available tomorrow and the Committee would like our final corrections as early as possible for publication.

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